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By fax

Dr. the Hon. Leong Che Hung
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Dear Dr. Leong,

Re: Factories and Industrial Undertakings
(Medical Examinations) Regulation

Thank you for your letter of 18.9.1999 concerning the above subject.

It is stated in the Proposal of the Legislative Council Brief that "..... statutory medical examinations for workers in hazardous occupations be conducted by Appointed Medical Practitioners (AMPs). This is because medical examinations for workers in hazardous occupations are rather specialized and general practitioners may not have the expertise to carry out such examinations and give appropriate health advice."

The EDA Council objects to the above recommendation made by the Expert Working Group on Occupational Health Services. The EDA Council is of the opinion that any registered medical practitioner is well qualified to carry out the medical examinations and to give appropriate health advice to workers in hazardous occupations. Any registered medical practitioner is also capable of referring these workers to the right specialty for further treatment if deemed necessary.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours sincerely,



Dr. Ho Ock Ling
Hon. Secretary
Estate Doctors Association

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